

**TESTIMONY BEFORE THE BUDGET COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES
REGARDING BUDGET, PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

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Chairman Dever, members of the committee, I am David Zentner, Director of Medical Services for the Department of Human Services. I appear before you to provide information regarding our review of the budget, programs, and services as it relates to Section 11 of House Bill 1012.

Section 11 of the Department's appropriation bill requires that we track the changes in the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP), and determine if those changes will affect the programs and services provided by the Department. The Department has begun the analysis process to determine if any changes will be required due to the FMAP provided by the federal government. We should have a clearer picture of the situation through the monitoring of expenditures during the first several months of the current biennium.

I would be happy to respond to any questions you may have.